

Atty. Dkt. No. 035451-0119 (3597.Palm.SG)

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

Claim 8 is requested to be cancelled.

Claims 1, 6, 10, 13, 21 and 35 are currently being amended.

This amendment adds, changes and/or deletes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

After amending the claims as set forth above, claims 1-4, 6, 9-13, and 15-39 are now pending in this application.

Claim Objections

In Section 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner objected to claim 6 because of an informality relating to the dependency. Claim 6 has been amended to correct the informality.

Claim Rejections -- U.S.C. § 102

In Section 4 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-4, 6, 8-10, 13, 15-16, 20-26, 28-30, and 35-39 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Schlack et al. Applicant has amended independent claims 1, 13, 21, and 35 to recite that "the program comprising a user interface, the user interface having an expansion card indicating area and an expansion card content area, the interface enabling drag and drop functionality to transfer expansion card content from one card to another card." Applicant directs the Examiner's attention to FIG. 2 of Applicant's specification which depicts an exemplary embodiment of the additionally claimed subject matter. Accordingly, no new matter has been entered.

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Further, Applicant respectfully submits that Schlack et al. does not disclose, teach, or suggest the program comprising such a user interface as claimed. Applicant claims such functionality because of the advantages provided by such a user interface. As Applicant recited "user interface 200 provides a user the ability to simply drag and drop digital files from one storage medium to another. Such simplified file copying enables the ability to manage and collaborate and share digital files." See specification, ¶ [0022], p. 7. Accordingly, because Schlack et al. does not disclose the interface recited in Applicant's claims, Schlack et al. does not disclose, teach, or suggest the combination of elements recited in independent claims 1, 13, 21, and 35, as amended. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-4, 6, 9-13, and 15-39 are therefore allowable.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 103

In Section 6 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 11-12, 17-19, 27, and 31-34 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Schlack et al. Applicant respectfully submits that because of Applicant's amendments to the independent claims, which Applicant believes places the independent claims in condition for allowance, Applicant does not believe that the current rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) is applicable.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

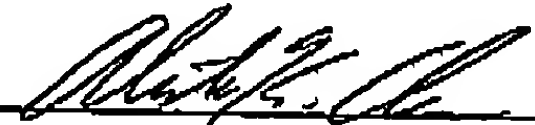
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers

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submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.

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